



## INTIMATIONS.

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT  
EIGHT PER CENT. LOAN OR 1881.  
SECOND DRAWING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following Number of Bonds to be paid off at Par at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Hongkong, on the 26th day of May, 1884, when the interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day drawn at the Office of the said Corporation in Hongkong, in the presence of Mr. GEORGE ROBERT JOHNSTON, Chief Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

## NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

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## POLICE COURT.

May 24th.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WRE.

SHERIFFES.

James Connor, seaman, son of the British ship *Frontier*, admitted being a stowaway from his ship, and the police were ordered to put him on board.

LAWYER FROM A JUNK.

Ng Akan, seaman, was charged with stealing a bag containing \$156.19 pieces of broken silver, and 1,666 coins from a junk.

Ho Kueing, which is part of the Central Market, went ashore for a few minutes, and got on board his vessel. As he was returning, he saw the defendant leaving the junk with a bag in his hand. He recognised the bag as the one he kept his money in, and which he had left locked up in a box in the hold. He went after the prisoner, and after a good chase, overhauled him on shore-street, where he handed him a constable. The prisoner said he had given it to the defendant at the time of his arrest.

The defendant and the complainant asked him to take charge of the junk in his absence, and he did so. He saw the money there, and being afraid it would be stolen, he took possession of it.

Convicted and sent to gaol for a month.

FRAUD.

Cheung Aun, boatman, was charged with having obtained a large number of eggs from a shopkeeper on the 25th inst.

The prisoner was employed on board a junk, and he went to a shop where the junk master had been in the habit of dealing, and obtained the eggs by stating they were for his master, who would pay for them. The complainant, though suspecting the man, supplied him with the eggs, but sent a cable to follow him and see what he did with them. It was fortunate he did so, for it gave him a clear definition.

H. E. M. gambit, Esq., from Kiukiang, passed through the Yangtze River on the 25th inst.

The British steamer *Pathan*, from Shanghai, passed up yesterday for Hankow to load new season tea. This makes the twelfth steamer of the tea fleet which has passed—*Shanghai Mercury*.

rapidly. Windows, shutters, and doors banged loudly, and the stifled sound of broken glass showed that a certain amount of damage was being sustained in those houses whose inmates had not seen that their fastenings were secure. Several trees were blown down in the Settlements, and some gas-tamps broken. We know that about this time many persons were up that night, those who had been disturbed earlier than usual, they want to be. The *Kedong*, from Swallow, arrived as follows:—At 7.30 p.m. on Saturday passed Bonham Light, with light southerly winds, and overcast sky; weather, 9.30 abreast of Guttafel with thick rain; at 11 p.m. anchored with thick weather, heavy rain, wind, thunder and blinding flashes of lightning till midnight. From then to 1 a.m. the rain lessened, and up till 5 a.m. a frequent shower. This was followed by a short and lightning, which was accompanied by thunder. At 3 a.m. the weather moderated and cleared up. The *Kedong* then proceeded with light breezes from N. to W. and variable. At 5 a.m. there was a strong gale of wind, with rain squalls. The rain-storm does not appear to have passed to the northward of the North of Shantung, as the *Hunting*, which arrived here last night, reported a high sea all night, with a gale of wind and lightning, which was accompanied by thunder and lightning. It will be seen by the reports from Zi-wei Observatory that the force of the wind at 10 o'clock on the morning of the 18th was 23.1 miles per hour, while at 4 o'clock in the afternoon the strong wind was accompanied by a dark storm.—*N. C. Daily News*

CHINKIANG.

16th May. His Excellency Tsi Tsang-tung, and suite arrived in the Chinese gun vessels *Ting Ho* and *Ching Yat* at 9 p.m. last night from Nanjing, and landed this morning at Kwangchow, after making a five hours' sail. He proceeds to Peking by the Great Canal.

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TIENTSIN.

13th May. News from Peking is that over thirty mammals have been hunted in impaching Li Hung-chang for having made the treaty with France as he has; no doubt they are all of the War Party and Her Majesty understands the object; but, as well as to follow him and see what he did with them, he was fortunate he did so, for it gave him a clear definition.

The junk master had not sent the presents to get the eggs.

The prisoner was sent to gaol for a month.

FOOCHOW.

H. E. M.'s gunboat *Merlin*, Commander Branton, arrived in Foochow on the 11th inst., to receive H. E. M.'s gunboat *Pozzani*, which vessel presented to the Admiralty for England, the term of her special commission having expired. We are pleased to learn that it is now fully arranged that a British gunboat will hereafter be stationed regularly at Foochow.

During the thunderstorm which so suddenly came up and passed over Foochow at about half-past one o'clock on the afternoon of the 8th inst., a H. E. M. Yacht, and an officer of the British were washed overboard by the waves, and were picked up by a Chinese fisherman, who was ploughing a field at Tu Lok Kagu, passed away his work, and foolishly shouldering his glittering agricultural implement was returning homeward, when the electric fluid being attracted, he was instantaneously killed. The other British occurred at places called Ting Chai, and the deceased who met with his death at the hands of the same vendor of crockery ware, and the three natives of the locality were wandering round in search of employment at the time of the accident.

We regret to learn of the outbreak of cholera in the City, which description of epidemic is unusual at the present season, and was quite unexpected, as there has recently failed a sufficiency of rainfall, so as to have dried up the surface of the earth, and to have left the surface of no less than three conflagrations during the past week, two of which were of a most extensive character.

After an unusually long immunity from fires of any serious character, which is probably chiefly due to the prohibition of the use of kerosene oil by the authorities, we have to fear the recurrence of such conflagrations during the past week, two of which were of a most extensive character.

At about four o'clock on the morning of the 9th inst., some premises situated near Sung Kang Kien were discovered on fire, and although every effort was made to prevent the flames from spreading, as less than eighty houses were on the ground before the flames could be got under, the loss amounted to about \$4,000.

On the following day, still more serious conflagration occurred in Ah Doe Street, the fire commanding at about half-past ten, and raged fiercely until midnight by which hour no less than one hundred and fifty small tenements were destroyed, and we regret to add, three lives lost.

The origin of the fire is a mystery, although the current report amongst the Chinese is that it was a violation of *Joss*, it appears that the flames first broke out in a dwelling where a coffin containing the body of a woman's lifeless was deposited awaiting burial.

The occupier of the latter house received such severe handling from the infuriated mob, who threatened to take his life as soon as the business of looting had been accomplished, that he considered it advisable to abscond during the excitement, and the damage occasioned in the present instance is about \$1,000.

The third fire occurred on the 11th inst., but was fortunately discovered in time to be quenched before getting sufficient hold upon the premises to occasion any considerable damage.—*Herald*.

SHANGHAI.

The new Chinese corvette *Nan Hsi*, of which we have already given a brief account in last issue, is a very fine vessel, and has proved herself an excellent sea-going and fast ship. The vessel left Kiel on the 10th March, and arrived in the River Tyne on the 15th, for the purpose of taking two heavy Armstrong guns; all her stores, guns, &c., were supplied by the Admiralty in Newcastle. The third fire occurred on the 13th inst., but was fortunately discovered in time to be quenched before getting sufficient hold upon the premises to occasion any considerable damage.—*Herald*.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

ON LONDON.—Bank Bills, demand.....\$381. Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight.....389. Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight.....393. Credits, at 4 months' sight.....394. Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight.....398.

ON PARIS.—Bank Bills, on demand.....4.67.

Credits, at 4 months' sight.....4.77.

ON BOMBAY.—Bank, 3 days' sight.....224.

ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, 3 days' sight.....224.

ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, sight.....721.

Private, 30 days' sight.....731.

SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—126 per cent premium.

China Traders Insurance Company's Shares—\$74 per share.

North China Insurance—Tls. 1,425 per share.

Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 141 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company, Limited—\$100 per share.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 148 per share.

Canton Insurance Office, Limited—\$95 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$60 per share.

China Fire Insurance Company, Limited—\$65 per share.

Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—\$34 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—\$145 per share.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$117 per cent premium.

China Sugar Refining Company (Debenture)—\$100 per share.

Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—\$145 per share.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$100 per share.

Pemik Tin Mining and Smelting Company—\$180 per share.

Selangor Tin Mining Company—\$250 per share.

Penang Sugar Cultivation Company—Tls. 35 per cent.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874—Nominal.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1877—Nominal.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—1/2 Premium.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From figure, YALCON &amp; Co's barometer.)

May 24th.

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